



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
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RE: MUR 5780
Republican Federal Committee of
Pennsylvania and Patricia Poprik,
in her official capacity as treasurer

Dear Mr. Tabas:

On July 23, 2007, the Federal Election Commission accepted the signed conciliation agreement and civil penalty submitted on your client's behalf in settlement of a violation of 11 C.F.R. § 102.17(c)(1)-(2). Accordingly, the file has been closed in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). Information derived in connection with any conciliation attempt will not become public without the written consent of the respondent and the Commission. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B).

Enclosed you will find a copy of the fully executed conciliation agreement for your files. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kate Belinski".

Kate Belinski
Attorney

Enclosure
Conciliation Agreement

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of

Republican Federal Committee of Pennsylvania
and Patricia Poprik, in her
official capacity as treasurer

MUR 5780

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CONCILIATION AGREEMENT

This matter was initiated by a signed, sworn, and notarized complaint by William R. Caroselli. The Federal Election Commission ("Commission") found reason to believe that the Republican Federal Committee of Pennsylvania and Patricia Poprik, in her official capacity as treasurer ("Respondents"), violated 11 C.F.R. § 102.17(c)(1)-(2).

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission and the Respondents, having participated in informal methods of conciliation, prior to a finding of probable cause to believe, do hereby agree as follows:

I. The Commission has jurisdiction over the Respondents and the subject matter of this proceeding, and this agreement has the effect of an agreement entered pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(A)(i).

II. Respondents have had a reasonable opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken in this matter.

III. Respondents enter voluntarily into this agreement with the Commission.

IV. The pertinent facts in this matter are as follows:

1. The Republican Federal Committee of Pennsylvania is a political committee within the meaning of 2 U.S.C. § 431(4).

2. Patricia Poprik is the treasurer of the Republican Federal Committee of Pennsylvania.

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3. Pursuant to 11 C.F.R. § 102.17(c)(1), the participants in a joint fundraising activity shall enter into a written agreement that identifies the fundraising representative and states a formula for the allocation of fundraising proceeds. Further, the fundraising representatives shall retain the written agreement for a period of three and shall make it available to the Commission upon request.

4. Pursuant to 11 C.F.R. § 102.17(c)(2), a joint fundraising notice shall be included with every solicitation for contributions.

5. Respondents held a fundraising event on June 14, 2005, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at a private residence in Pennsylvania, featuring President George Bush as the guest speaker. Santorum 2006 held an event on the same date, at the same time, at the same location, and with the same guest speaker. Respondents coordinated with the political committee regarding the logistics of the event, some of the vendors used, and the distribution of proceeds from the event.

6. Respondents failed to enter into a written joint fundraising agreement identifying the fundraising representative and stating a formula for the allocation of the joint fundraising proceeds.

7. Respondents failed to include a joint fundraising notice with every solicitation for contributions for the Republican Federal Committee of Pennsylvania event held on June 14, 2005.

V. Respondents violated 11 C.F.R. § 102.17(c)(1) by failing to enter into a written joint fundraising agreement identifying the fundraising representative and stating a formula for the allocation of the joint fundraising proceeds.

VI. Respondents violated 11 C.F.R. § 102.17(c)(2) by failing to include a joint fundraising notice with every solicitation for contributions for the Santorum 2006 event held on June 14, 2005.

VII. Respondents will cease and desist from violating 11 C.F.R. § 102.17(c)(1)-(2).

VIII. Respondents will pay a civil penalty to the Federal Election Commission in the amount of Three Thousand Eight Hundred dollars (\$3,800), pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(5)(A).

IX. The Commission, on request of anyone filing a complaint under 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(1) concerning the matters at issue herein or on its own motion, may review compliance with this agreement. If the Commission believes that this agreement or any requirement thereof has been violated, it may institute a civil action for relief in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.


X. This agreement shall become effective as of the date that all parties hereto have executed same and the Commission has approved the entire agreement.

XI. Respondents shall have no more than 30 days from the date this agreement becomes effective to comply with and implement the requirements contained in this agreement and to so notify the Commission.

XII. This Conciliation Agreement constitutes the entire agreement among the parties on the matters raised herein, and no other statement, promise or agreement, either written or oral, made by any party or by agents of any party, that is not contained in this written agreement shall be enforceable.

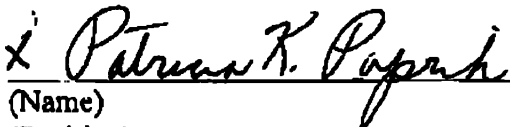
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FOR THE RESPONDENTS


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